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# Update on Downtown Public Works Projects

This newsletter provides information on planned public works projects in the Downtown area that will provide better public facilities for residents and visitors, while upgrading the aged infrastructure.

#### **April Activities:**

• San Jose Water Company (SJWC) Water Pipeline Upgrade Project
SJWC's work will consist of the following: remove valve boxes on Main St. near Main St. bridge & College
Ave. over a one week period, (minimal traffic impacts are anticipated); install new pipeline along the creek
trail, under bridge in two sections, for three (3) weeks per section, and; abandon the old pipes under Main
Street. SJWC will notify all impacted water customers in advance, as well as post notices along the creek
trail with trail closure dates.

#### **May Activities:**

- Parking Lot 5 Improvements: Located between Main and Elm Streets, this project is estimated to take about two weeks. Improvements include replacing damaged/uneven curbs, re-grading the uneven surface, improving the drainage system, repairing planter irrigation and installing an additional island planter with plants, and paving and re-striping the lot. During this work, the lot will need to be closed for 10 days or less. Loss of parking will be mitigated by relaxing nearby parking restrictions and signage to other parking lots.
- Main Street Streetlight Pole Improvements: New streetlight heads and pole painting from Santa Cruz to Alpine Avenues will upgrade and standardize the streetlights which have become aged and dysfunctional.

### June –July Activities:

- **2006 Main Street Sidewalk Replacement:** Sections of sidewalk between N. Santa Cruz to College Avenue will be replaced starting the week of June 19<sup>th</sup>, in advance of special events in the area. The sidewalks will be replaced in one-week durations, starting on Monday & ending Friday. Businesses will be open & accessible.
  - **Utility Underground Conduit**: Installation of underground telecommunications conduit will occur prior to paving Main Street. The project location is from Loma Alta to Main Street bridge, along the north side of the street, in sections alongside the curb, which will take up some parking spaces temporarily.

## July-August

• 2006 Main Street Improvements: Improvements include completing the remaining sections of sidewalk replacement from Santa Cruz to College Aves where needed; installation of a new traffic signal at University & Main; repairing curbs and gutters as needed, and; paving Main Street from Santa Cruz to Loma Alta Aves. Delivery, parking, traffic and event impacts will be kept to a minimum, to the extent possible.

#### **Communication Methods**

- **Downtown Newsletter:** This newsletter is mailed to merchants and residents in the downtown area.
- E-Mail Project Updates: To receive this newsletter by email, contact: <a href="mailto:streetscape@losgatosca.gov">streetscape@losgatosca.gov</a>
- What's New E-mail Service: Receive updates about Town events & services: www.losgatosca.gov/new/



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